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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated January 16, 2004 and the filing of the Request for Continued Examination, it is respectfully requested that the following amendments be entered and fully considered by the Examiner.